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REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending. Reconsideration is requested.


Claims 1-23 were rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The Examiner has required that we confirm that the Deposit of Biological material has been deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty or otherwise meets all the requirements of the Patent Office for biological deposits.

A biologically pure culture of *Aspergillus niger* CFR-W-105 was deposited with the Microbial Type Culture Collection (MTCC) in Chandigarh, India, under the terms of the Budapest Treaty and assigned accession code MTCC 5116. All restrictions imposed on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of a patent in the present application.

All rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in order for allowance, and Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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